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NOMINATED ROOSEVELT, WILL SUPPORT WILSON

Mr. Hughes is Merely a Decoy For the Standpat Republicans Says Noted Progressive Leader.

Bainbridge Colby, who nominated Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency at the Progressive National Convention in Chicago has declared himself in favor of the re-election of President Wilson.

In a letter to Vance McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Mr. Colby accepted an invitation to act as a Progressive committee which is to have a co-operative relation with the Democratic campaign committee. Mr. Colby asserted that the opposition to the President's re-election "proceeds from an unregenerate Republicanism" of which Charles E. Hughes is a "decoy and retriever."

If Mr. Hughes were elected Mr. Colby added, "the old guard" would "rope him and tie him, as they did when he was Governor in Albany, reducing him to plaintive futility."

The associate company or committee of Progressives which will co-operate for the re-election of Mr. Wilson are:

Bainbridge Colby, New York; Matthew Hale, Massachusetts; Albert D. Norton, Missouri; H. Hopkins, New Jersey; Ole Hansen, Washington and Henry M. Wallace, Michigan.

Mr. McCormick asserted that the associate committee of Progressives would actively co-operate with the Democratic campaign committee.

"We have no intention," said Mr. McCormick, "to attempt to absorb the progressive party. We recognize in it an effective group of independent men and women who are fighting for the same progressive principles for which we stand. Our desire is to secure their spontaneous and hearty co-operation. We think that the record of the Democratic party under President Wilson deserves that co-operation and we rely upon the party's action in the future to continually justify their support."

Who is the Friend of the Family? Oxford Orphan's Friend.

Fathers and mothers of girls should find a great deal of interest in what Sherman Crawford, a bismarckist in the toils in San Francisco, has to say about parents who do not scrutinize their daughters' list of acquaintances. He belongs to the type of men classified as "human wolves." He amuses himself by trifling with thoughtless girls, and his present view of the world from behind prison bars is due to having married one of them despite the fact that he already had one wife.

While he admits that he is not the kind of man whom parents should welcome into the family circle, he shifts the blame on parents. Why, he asks, do they concern themselves so little about their daughters' associates? Thanks to this negligence, he finds it easy to be received into their homes, and is of the opinion that any man of good address can secure admission therein as easily. Engaging manners, a clean collar, a presentable suit of clothes, display of a few greenbacks, and a little nerve are all that he found necessary to put him into numberless homes. A general air of prosperity and presentability was for him the open sesame.

The average parent is not as stupid and remiss as that. The bismarckist must have instinctively picked out the wise and unwise parents and confined his attentions to the latter homes. But that is neither here nor there. The point is, that domestic safety calls for a pretty thorough knowledge of the antecedents, upon the part of parents, of the friends of their girls—and boys, too.

Time to Vacate.

Statesville Landmark.
Taking note of the Lexington man, arranged for wife-beating, who jumped out of the court house window, fell to the ground a distance of 25 feet, was half killed and possibly deserved to be wholly killed, the Greensboro News relates that the fellow jumped just as his wife seated herself in the witness chair and remarked that she was going to tell the truth; and the News calls it a case for psychologists to puzzle over. Maybe, but to the Landmark it is no puzzle at all. When the average wife announces, with an air of determination, that she is going to tell the whole truth about her husband, it is time for him to vacate the premises if he can get away, even at the risk of a broken limb; and it is not necessary for a charge of wife-beating or any of the graver offenses to be lodged against him to make it prudent for him to move. The lady usually has an abundant supply of material to draw on when she is aiming; and to vacate it is for the average husband that the wife so seldom reminds him of his shortcomings.

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The Sorrowing Tribune.

Philadelphia Record.
With every expression of anguish upon its face, the New York Tribune sits down to its repulsive dish of Hughes crow. Last year it declared that "it would be better for the Republican party to endorse Woodrow Wilson in 1916 than to permit the principle to be established that to defend American interests is to commit political suicide." The Tribune repeated that a week after Mr. Hughes' nomination.

Mr. Wilson has been attacked because he defended American interests against a foreign country, and for that defense of American interest he was, and still is, attacked by the German-American Alliance, the Teutonic Sons of America and various German societies and papers. These German interests are attacking him because he denounced the killing of Americans on board the Lusitania and several other ships, American and foreign, and because he would not urge Congress to put an embargo on our export trade. The interests of the United States were clear; and Mr. Wilson has been, and is being, denounced for defending American interests.

These German societies and publications claim to have prevented the Republican convention from nominating Mr. Roosevelt, and they are working like beavers to compass the defeat of Mr. Wilson because he defended American interests against German interests. And yet the Tribune has climbed down from its high horse of independence and has become a mere party organ, supporting any ticket and platform that the party sets up. It does not enjoy its degradation. It says:

"It would be idle to pretend that the portion of Mr. Hughes' address which deals with the Lusitania massacre and our relations with Germany is satisfactory to the Tribune. Nor shall we undertake to make any pretense. * * * The difficulty with Mr. Hughes' comment lies in the fact that it supplies just exactly that degree of vagueness which will enable the German-Americans to endorse it and continue in their campaign directed against Mr. Wilson because he failed in all things to satisfy them."

The Tribune thinks that Mr. Hughes is a better man than Mr. Wilson, and it will support him on that ground, though it recognizes that the German issue he is evasive and a trimmer and is trying to deceive one or both sides.
How such a man can be represented to be a superior personality to a man who, charged with immense responsibilities, and in the face of obloquy and the threats of political assassination, dared to do his duty by his country we do not need to inquire. The Tribune for the sake of its party standing will countenance the disgraceful effort to establish the principle that "to defend American interests is to commit political suicide." But it would have been more respectable if the Tribune had never made any professions of being better than its party; had never prated about the claims of patriotism above partisanship.

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